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This communication is in response to an Order from the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences returning undocketed appeal to Examiner.

On August 16, 2007 Appellant filed an Amendment After Final which proposed cancellation of claims 24-32 in response to Final Rejection mailed February 26, 2007.

The amendment of the claims proposed by Appellants on August 16, 2007 are entered and made of record.

The Appeal Brief filed with the Appellants' amendment was filed appealing the rejection of claims 16-23 and 33-35.

The Examiner's answer, filed November 30, 2007, was filed in response to appeal of rejection of claims 16-23 and 33-35.

Thus, the Examiner's answer was written taking in to consideration that the Appellants' amendment had been entered and thus requires no revision. A copy of the amendment annotated that it can be entered is enclosed.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shulamith H. Shafer, Ph.D. whose telephone number is 571-272-3332. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Manjunath Rao, Ph.D. can be reached on 571-272-0939. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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